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Dear Mr. Kothe:

Re: Canadian Appln. S.N. 896,879  
Philip Morris Incorporated -  
Your File 582-421 Canada.

Thank you for your letter of the 4th of December, 1965.  
On the 8th of December, we filed a response to the Official Action  
of the 8th of June, two copies of which are enclosed. We amended  
page 3 as you requested.

We gave the Examiner the information which you passed  
on to us about the corresponding U. S. application. This will, in  
all likelihood, expedite the prosecution of the present application.  
Please note that the fact that the Canadian Examiner did not cite  
any prior art does not preclude him from doing so at any time.  
We could not really expect to receive allowance of the case solely  
on the basis of replying to the outstanding Official Action.

I hope that you agree with me on the advisability of giving  
the U. S. Patent to the Canadian Examiner.

Yours very truly,

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